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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2015-4532; Airspace Docket No. 15-AEA-10]

Amendment of Class E Airspace for the following New York Towns;

Ithaca, NY; Poughkeepsie, NY

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action amends Class E Airspace at Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport, Ithaca, NY; and Kingston VORTAC, Poughkeepsie, NY, by eliminating the Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) part time status of the Class E surface airspace designated as an extension at the Ithaca and Poughkeepsie locations. This action also adds Dutchess County Airport to the Kingston VORTAC designation, updates the geographic coordinates of each navigation aid and Ithaca Tompkins Regional to coincide with the FAA's aeronautical database, and recognizes the airport name for Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport. This is an administrative change to coincide with the FAA's aeronautical database.

DATES: Effective 0901 UTC, March 31, 2016. The Director of the Federal Register approves this incorporation by reference action under title 1, Code of

Federal Regulations, part 51, subject to the annual revision of FAA Order 7400.9 and publication of conforming amendments.

ADDRESSES: FAA Order 7400.9Z, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, and subsequent amendments can be viewed online at [http://www.faa.gov/air traffic/publications/](http://www.faa.gov/air%20traffic/publications/). For further information, you can contact the Airspace Policy Group, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C., 20591; telephone: 202-267-8783. The Order is also available for inspection at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call 202-741-6030, or go to http://www.archives.gov/federal_register/code_of_federal-regulations/ibr_locations.html.

FAA Order 7400.9, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, is published yearly and effective on September 15.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority for this Rulemaking

The FAA's authority to issue rules regarding aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the United States Code. Subtitle I, Section 106 describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency's authority. This rulemaking is

promulgated under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part, A, Subpart I, Section 40103. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to assign the use of airspace necessary to ensure the safety of aircraft and the efficient use of airspace. This regulation is within the scope of that authority as it amends Class E airspace at the New York airports listed in this final rule.

History

In a review of the airspace, the FAA found the airspace description for Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport, Ithaca, NY, formerly Tompkins County Airport, and Kingston VORTAC, Poughkeepsie, NY, as published in FAA Order 7400.9Z, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, does not match the FAA's charting information. This administrative change coincides with the FAA's aeronautical database for Class E Airspace Designated as an Extension to a Class D Surface Area.

Class E airspace designations are published in paragraphs 6004 of FAA Order 7400.9Z dated August 6, 2015, and effective September 15, 2015, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR Part 71.1. The Class E airspace designations listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

Availability and Summary of Documents for Incorporation by Reference

This document amends FAA Order 7400.9Z, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 6, 2015, and effective September 15, 2015. FAA Order 7400.9Z is publicly available as listed in the ADDRESSES

section of this document. FAA Order 7400.9Z lists Class A, B, C, D, and E airspace areas, air traffic service routes, and reporting points.

The Rule

This action amends Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) Part 71 by eliminating the NOTAM information that reads “This Class E airspace area is effective during the specific dates and time established in advance by Notice to Airmen. The effective date and time will thereafter be continuously published in the Airport/Facility Directory.” from the regulatory text of the Class E airspace designated as an extension to Class D at Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport, Ithaca, NY; and the Kingston VORTAC, Poughkeepsie, NY. Also, as Dutchess County Airport, Poughkeepsie, NY, is supported by the Kingston VORTAC, it is included in the VORTAC designation.

Additionally, the geographic coordinates for the listed navaids and Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport are updated to be in concert with the FAA’s aeronautical database. The FAA also recognizes the airport’s name change from Tompkins County Airport, Ithaca, NY, to Ithaca Tomkins Regional Airport, Ithaca, NY.

This is an administrative change amending the description for the above New York airports, to be in concert with the FAAs aeronautical database, and does not affect the boundaries, or operating requirements of the airspace, therefore, notice and public procedure under 5 U.S.C. 553(b) are unnecessary.

Regulatory Notices and Analyses

The FAA has determined that this regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. It, therefore: (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a regulatory evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that only affects air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this rule, when promulgated, does not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

Environmental Review

The FAA has determined that this action qualifies for categorical exclusion under the National Environmental Policy Act in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1F, "Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures," paragraph 5-6.5a. This airspace action is not expected to cause any potentially significant environmental impacts, and no extraordinary circumstances exist that warrant preparation of an environmental assessment.

Lists of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (Air).

Adoption of the Amendment:

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 14 CFR Part 71 as follows:

**PART 71 --DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, B, C, D, AND E AIRSPACE AREAS;
AIR TRAFFIC SERVICE ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS**

1. The authority citation for Part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(f), 106(g); 40103, 40113, 40120, E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959-1963 Comp., p. 389.

§71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of FAA Order 7400.9Z, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 6, 2015, effective September 15, 2015, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6004 Class E Airspace Designated as an Extension to a Class D Surface Area.

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AEA NY E4 Ithaca, NY [Amended]

Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport, Ithaca, NY
(lat. 42°29'29"N., long. 76°27'31"W.)
Ithaca VOR/DME
(lat. 42°29'43"N., long. 76°27'35"W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface from the 4-mile radius of Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport to the 5.7-mile radius of the airport clockwise from the 329° bearing to the 081° bearing from the airport, and that airspace from the 4-mile radius of Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport to the 8.7-mile radius of the airport extending clockwise from the 081° bearing to the 137° bearing from the airport, and that airspace from the 4-mile radius of Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport to the 6.6-mile radius of the airport extending clockwise from the 137° bearing to the 170° bearing from the airport, and that airspace from the 4-mile radius to the 5.7-mile radius of Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport extending clockwise from the 170° bearing to the 196° bearing from the airport, and that airspace within 2.7 miles each side of the Ithaca VOR/DME 305° radial extending from the 4-mile radius of Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport to 7.4 miles northwest of the Ithaca VOR/DME.

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AEA NY E4 Poughkeepsie, NY [Amended]

Dutchess County Airport, Poughkeepsie, NY

(lat. 41°37'36"N., long. 73°53'03"W.)

Kingston VORTAC

(lat. 41°39'56"N., long. 73°49'20"W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within 3.1 miles each side of the Kingston VORTAC 025° radial extending from the VORTAC to 8.3 miles northeast of the VORTAC and within 1.8 miles each side of the Kingston VORTAC 231° radial extending from the 4-mile radius to 9.2 miles southwest of the VORTAC and within 3.1 miles each side of the Kingston VORTAC 050° radial extending from the VORTAC to 9.2 miles northeast of the VORTAC.

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